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SUBJECT: IRAN'S PROPOSED IAEA TECHNICAL COOPERATION
PROJECTS: FRENCH URGE HARD LINE ON ALL SIX PROJECTS

REF: A. A. STATE 188260

[1](#)B. B. STATE 188039

Classified By: POL Deputy Bruce Turner for reasons 1.4 b and d.

[1](#)1. (C) David Bertolloti, office director in the MFA's Bureau of Disarmament and Non-proliferation, said the GoF "completely subscribes" to the U.S. approach toward Iran's proposed IAEA technical cooperation proposals (ref A). He said that the MFA also regards the Arak heavy water research reactor project as the most troubling of the eight proposed projects and wants it to be dropped from the IAEA's 2007-2008 technical cooperation (TC) program. The MFA finds the other five projects mentioned in reftel to be nearly as troubling, and believes they could furnish an additional 20,000 megawatts of nuclear capacity. The MFA believes it would be impossible for the IAEA to provide any credible assurances that these projects would not contribute to illicit nuclear activities, and therefore wants these projects dropped from the TC program as well.

[1](#)2. (C) Bertolloti said the MFA was relieved that the U.S. planned to take such a strong stand on November 20 at the IAEA board meetings. The MFA previously had the impression

that the Arak reactor was the U.S.'s only priority and that we did not intend to push to remove any other projects, he said. Bertolloti said that by taking such a strong stand against all six projects, the GoF had "felt lonely" in the like-minded group the last few days. Bertolloti added that the GoF would urge the U.S. to be more vocal in speaking out against these projects in next Monday's discussions.

13. (SBU) Poloff delivered ref B demarche at the same meeting. There was no immediate response.

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